CAG Report on underutilization/diversion of EAS funds

1781. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that CAG has reported many instances of underutilization and diversion of EAS funds in the last five years;

(b) if so, the State-wise details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the monitoring and Vigilance Committees constituted for effective ulitization of funds have become ineffective; and

(d) if so, the steps being contemplated by Government to see that the funds under EAS are spent to achieve the set goal?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The C & AG in its report No. 3 of 2000 on "Implementation of Rural Employment Generation Programmes' has reported shortcomings such as diversion and underutilization of funds in the implementation of EAS. The State-wise details are given in Statement I & II respectively.

(c) and (d) Apart from the Vigilance and Monitoring Committees, the Programme is being monitored through monthly and annual progress reports. Senior officers at the level of Deputy Secretaries and above in the Ministry are appointed as Area Officers, who visit allotted States/ UTs to have a first hand information on the implementation of the Programme at the field level. Further, important issues related to the implementation of the Scheme are also discussed in the Meetings with the State Secretaries of Rural Development.

Statement-I

Diversion of funds under EAS

(Rs in lakh)

State	Year	Amount
Mizoram	1993-98	466.76
Mizoram	1996-98	24.77
Mizoram	1993-99	46.02
Mizoram	1995-99	316.3

State	Year	Amount
*Jammu and Kashmir	1994-99	
*Jammu and Kashmir	1995-99	333
*Assam	December 1995 and April 1996	16.29
* Assam	January, February and April 1996,	
* Assam	February 1998	14.91
*Assam	1992-99	201.11
*Assam	....	76.38
*Meghalaya	1995-98	11.34
*Meghalaya	1992-99	84.64
* Meghalaya	1993-98	104.87
*Meghalaya	1992-98	34.96
Punjab	1998-99	134.49
Punjab	March 1997 and March 1999	53.58
Madhya Pradesh	1996-98	516
	1993-99	2956
Madhya Pradesh	1993-99	4727
Haryana	1996-97	3.31
	1995-98	1.13
*Haryana	1996-97	3.5
Haryana	1994-98	103
Himachal Pradesh	1996-97	1.8
*Himachal Pradesh	Sept 1995 to March 1997	1.58
Himachal Pradesh	1998-99	1.55
Arunachal Pradesh	1993-98	58.15
Arunachal Pradesh	November 1995	2.17
*Uttar Pradesh	1992-99	1040
	March 97	36.81
*Orissa	1994-98	247.72
	1994-98	15
	1997-99	55.44
	1996-98	24
	1996-97	20

State	Year	Amount
*Manipur	1993-98	22.82
*Uttar Pradesh	January to May, 1995	40.24
*Uttar Pradesh	March 1995 to July 1998	146
Uttar Pradesh	1997-98	19.73
Uttar Pradesh	January to September 1998	87
Uttar Pradesh	1997-99	91.57
Uttar Pradesh	1997-99	212
Uttar Pradesh	1992-93	42.14
*Uttar Pradesh	1992-99	1040
Rajasthan	1996-97	71.94
Rajasthan	1994-95	7.58
*Rajasthan	1995-99	10
*Rajasthan	1994-96	231.39
*Rajasthan	1993-99	242
*Rajasthan	1991-99	52.25
*Rajasthan	1994-99	346
Tamil Nadu	1993-99	817.99
Kerala	1993-98	966.98
Maharashtra	1998-99	12.42
West Bengal	1994-1999	26.33
*West Bengal	January 1996 June 1995 February 1997	86.68,278.21
*West Bengal	Between November 1994 and July 1996	652.72
West Bengal	Between Janaury 1998 and June 1998	5.05
*West Bengal	Between December 1995 and June 1996	92.82
*Tripura	1993-99	122
*Bihar	—	154
*Bihar	—	1028
*Bihar	1992-99	128
Nagaland	1996-97	3.53
Nagaland	—	7.27
Karnataka	1992-99	2148

State	Year	Amount
Andhra Pradesh	1994-99	236
Gujarat	1993-98	884

*The Report of C and AG is a combined report on Rural Employment Generation programme covering JRY and EAS. At many places separate details of JRY and EAS has not been given.

Statement-II

Funds Unutilised under EAS

(Rs. in crores)

S. No.	Name of the State/UTs	Total funds release	Total funds utilised	Remaining funds unutilised
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1026.62	1088.06	-61.44
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	109.88	99.25	10.63
3.	Assam	564.40	447.97	116.43
4.	Bihar	1117.56	1025.72	91.84
5.	Goa	5.00	4.87	0.13
6.	Gujarat	320.19	285.00	35.19
7.	Haryana	181.63	154.91	26.72
8.	Himachal Pradesh	89.63	76.55	13.14
9.	Jammu and Kashmir	298.81	289.37	9.44
10.	Karnataka	660.63	652.66	7.97
11.	Kerala	181.13	161.75	19.38
12.	Madhya Pradesh	1367.28	1329.31	37.97
13.	Maharashtra	594.48	561.16	33.32
14.	Manipur	66.63	64.00	2.63
15.	Meghalaya	29.62	19.64	9.98
16.	Mizoram	77.50	82.73	-5.23
17.	Nagaland	137.82	123.44	14.38
18.	Orissa	843.91	820.56	23.35
19.	Punjab	69.25	40.24	29.01
20.	Rajasthan	702.25	688.78	13.47
21.	Sikkim	17.07	24.97	-7.90
22.	Tamil Nadu	819.65	831.37	-11.72
23.	Tripura	112.85	122.02	-9.17
24.	Uttar Pradesh	1465.78	1456.03	9.75
25.	West Bengal	590.29	551.94	38.35
26.	A & N Island	2.10	1.26	0.84
27.	Dadar and Nagar Havel i	1.75	1.18	0.57
28.	Daman and Diu	0.45	0.38	0.07
29.	Lakshadweep	4.65	3.17	1.48
30.	Pondicherry	1.20	0.32	0.88
		11460.07	11008.61	451.46

Source : Annexure 3 B C and AG Report No. 3 of 2000 (Civil)